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TRAINING HAS STARTED.

Giants, Phillies and Grooms Begin Work.
Other Sporting News.

NEW YORK, March 16.—Eighteen out of the twenty-two players belonging to the New York baseball team went to their training quarter at Lakewood, N. J., yesterday. The four absentees were Van Haltren, Wilmot, Meekin and Gleason, who are all expected by Friday at the latest. The Brooklyn players, 19 in number, also went to New Jersey. Their headquarters are at Allaire. The Phillies went to Cape May, where they will spend two weeks in limbering up. They will then return to Philadelphia and give a series of exhibition games at home.

Harry Lemons of Niagara Falls defeated Kid Brady of Cleveland in a 15 round contest at Niagara Falls last night. Had Lemons forced the fight he could have put Brady out. Much interest is attached to the meeting to-night between Peter Maher and Steve O'Donnell at Philadelphia. Both men are in good shape. They will box six rounds.

The practice of the Harvard football season of 1898 began on Soldiers' field yesterday afternoon, with 14 men on the ground. The work was in charge of Head Coach Forbes.

PHILADELPHIA'S SCANDAL.

Councilman Stevenson Testifies That a Ward Leader Tried to Bribe Him.

PHILADELPHIA, March 16.—The committee investigating the charges of attempted bribery in connection with the bill before the city council to lease the city waterworks to the Schuykill Valley Water company held its first meeting yesterday. Councilman Walter N. Stevenson, who made the charge, was the principal witness, and he testified that Peter E. Smith, a political leader of the Twenty-ninth ward, had called at Mr. Stevenson's office three different times and informed him that he could get him \$5,000 if he would vote for the passage of the bill. He told Stevenson he was foolish if he did not take the money.

Mr. Stevenson further said that since the disclosure in council chamber last week Smith had called at his (Stevenson's) house and implored the councilman not to expose him, saying he would be ruined and his family disgraced if the matter was given publicity.

A Plum For Du Rose.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—Senor Polo has received a dispatch from the minister of state at Madrid stating that the queen regent had appointed Senor du Rose, recent charge d'affaires here, a knight commander of the first class of the Order of Isabella la Catolica. This is in recognition of Senor du Rose's services during the delicate period of the present emergency following Senor Polo's arrival.

For a Big Barge Canal.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—Argument was heard in the house committee on rivers and harbors in favor of a barge canal between the great lakes and the Hudson river. It is proposed to follow the general line of the present Erie canal, except between New York and Syracuse. The estimated cost is \$50,000,000.

CABINET EXPECTANT

Looking For Report of Court of Inquiry This Week.

MEASURES FOR DEFENSE DISCUSSED.

Proceedings of the House Enlivened by a Few Remarks of Mr. Mahany Relative to the Verdict in the Martin Trial.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—The general expectation of the members of the cabinet, said one of them after the meeting yesterday, "is that some report will be received during the present week from the court of inquiry examining into the cause of the Maine explosion. Yet," he added, "it would not be surprising to us if the report should be delayed for a longer time.

"We have nothing on which to base this hope that I know of, only the feeling seems general that what I have said will be the case. There is nothing at hand as yet to indicate what will be the nature of the findings of the court.

"Today our time was occupied in a general discussion of the measures under way for the national defense, notably in regard to the acquisition of new vessels of war.

"We are keeping an eye on the two ships under construction for Chile and the Argentine Republic, but it is not probable we can get them. If we cannot obtain the ships it is a source of satisfaction to know that Spain will not be able to purchase them either."

Martin Trial in the House.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—The house has agreed to consider the bill for the relief of the legal heirs of the victims and survivors of the Maine disaster as soon as the postoffice appropriation bill, which was taken up in the house yesterday, is out of the way. During the general debate on the post-office bill members eagerly took advantage of the latitude allowed in committee of the whole on the state of the Union to discuss various political questions, and the debate accordingly covered a wide range.

Messrs. Griggs (Dem., Ga.) and Walker (Rep., Mass.) discussed the condition of the cotton industry. Mr. Alexander (Rep., N. Y.) argued that congress should commit the country to the gold standard. Mr. Mahany (Rep., N. Y.) commented on the acquittal of Sheriff Martin and Mr. Tawney (Rep., Minn.), a member of the ways and means committee, replied to the speech of Mr. Johnson (Rep., Ind.), made some time ago, against the advisability of annexing the Hawaiian Islands.

Mr. Mahany, in discussing the Martin trial, denounced an editorial in a New York paper on the Sheriff Martin verdict. Public opinion in the United States, he said, while accepting the verdict, registered the unofficial verdict that the shooting down of defenseless laborers constituted an impeachment of American liberty and a disgrace to the nation in which it occurred.

Troy Mill Burned.

TROY, N. Y., March 16.—The Victor mill of Cohoes, the largest woolen mill in the United States, burned yesterday. Fire engines were brought from Troy, the local force being unable to cope with the situation. The loss will be about \$200,000.

Washington Increases Quarantine.

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ALL BUSY AS EVER

House Committee on Naval Affairs Votes to Build New Drydocks.

TO HOLD BIG WARSHIPS.

Naval Court of Inquiry Suddenly Sails From Havana.

TO CONTINUE WORK AT KEY WEST

Spanish Ambassador at Rome Declares Spain's Relations With Us Are Still Most Cordial and Deprecates Papal Mediation For Cuba.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—There has been another busy day in the war and navy departments. Secretary Alger was enabled to make an allotment of funds from the appropriation of \$30,000,000 which will greatly facilitate the work of the bureaus. These bureaus had not been able to conclude any contracts for the procurement of war supplies because no allotment had been made, but yesterday afternoon the ordnance bureau was given \$2,500,000, and business went forward with a rush. It is true that this sum is already mortgaged under provisional arrangements made during the past week, but with the assurance of more funds to come the work of the bureau is now moving rapidly.

The construction of five modern drydocks has been agreed on by the house committee on naval affairs. They are to be located at Portsmouth, N. H.; Boston, League Island, near Philadelphia; Algiers, near New Orleans, and Mare Island, near San Francisco. These docks, all of which are to be entirely new structures, are to be of wood, except at Algiers and at Portsmouth. The indications are that the dock at Portsmouth will be built of stone from near by quarries and that at Algiers of steel.

The decision of the committee was the outcome of a protracted and at times animated discussion. The final vote choosing the points named was 7 to 3. The opponents of the project first contended against their construction on general principles, and then separately opposed the sites that were selected.

It was agreed, however, that the docks constructed should be capable of accommodating the largest class of warships. The principal reason for the conclusion to build of wood was economy, but it was also stated that docks so constructed might remain in good condition long enough for all practical purposes and that by the time their usefulness ceased developments in the structural field or a change in the character of present dock ideas might arise.

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Ladies' Shoes
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In the newest shades of tan and new style toes. Silk vesting tops are quite the thing, making a pretty combination. We are showing many styles. Here are the prices, but you'd best to see the goods also. Oxford Ties \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75.

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The most elaborately staged melodrama ever brought to America.

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All special scenery and a great cast.

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A STRIKING WINDOW EXHIBIT.
A Popular Remedy Displayed at Olney's Pharmacy.

W. D. Olney is making a fine display of Paine's Celery Compound at his pharmacy. The window is completely filled with this excellent and popular remedy in original packages, accompanied by mammoth cartons and handsomely lithographed celery bunches.

Mr. Olney says: "Paine's Celery Compound is one of the best sellers I ever saw. I have sold many bottles this spring, and the demand is increasing daily. Every purchaser seems satisfied with the results, and it seems a grand tonic for those who are troubled with the languid tired feeling that so generally affects people during the spring months. I am satisfied that the extensive advertising done in the ARGUS and MERCURY for Paine's celery has had the effect of largely increasing the demand for the medicine in this city."

BORDEN'S PRICES FOR MILK.

Prices Offered Oxford Farmers Slightly Below Those of the Anglo-Swiss in This City.

From the Oxford Times.

One hundred and thirty-one dairymen signed the New York Condensed Milk Company's contracts Monday. There were others willing to sign; but the above number was all that Sup't Decker was authorized to accept. They may be given a chance later.

The prices paid per 100 pounds are the same as those of the corresponding months, last year. April \$1.00, May .85, June .70, July .80, August \$1.00, September 1.20.

KEEP THEM ALL OUT.

Flat Net Men Are Ruining the Wallkill's Fishing.

A man who was at the Wallkill, Tuesday, near Phillipsburgh, states that there were over fifty flat net fishermen along the banks all the afternoon and many were there late into the night.

Such a wholesale netting of a stream must inevitably ruin the fun of line fishing, and sportsmen are becoming awakened to the fact that it is time to stop the nets. An effort is to be made to have a law enacted prohibiting net fishing in the stream.

"A GUILTY MOTHER"

James H. Wallick's New Play the Next Casino Attraction.

Since the days of the "Two Orphans" and "East Lynne" no emotional drama which has been presented to the American public reaches the high standard of J. H. Wallick's new piece, "A Guilty Mother." As a melodrama it ranks with "Lights of London," "Hoodman Blind," "Romany Rye," or any of the past favorites. Patrons of the Casino will have an opportunity of seeing this big production, next Saturday evening.

Anglo-Swiss Company Will Receive Milk in Cash.

From the Independent Republican.

Charles S. Wells, of near this village, has sold his milk product to the Anglo-Swiss Company at Middletown, the arrangement to go into effect April 1st. Heretofore Mr. Wells has sold his milk to the Orange County Milk Association. The Anglo-Swiss people have instructed Mr. Wells to deliver his milk in Goshen, but no specified place has been named.

Special Meeting of Second Presbyterian Ladies' Aid Society.

A special meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Second Presbyterian Church will be held at the home of Mrs. Smith Everett, No. 6 Houston avenue, on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, for the purpose of providing clothing for a needy family. A full attendance is desired.

Courtesies between Firemen.

A committee from Tri-States Hose Co. of Port Jervis, will go to Ellenville, Friday evening, to present to Pioneer Engine Co., of that place, a hand-somely framed group picture of the two companies, taken when the Pioneers were the guests of Tri-States, last fall.

SLATE HILL.

The Lucky Ones at the School Social

Correspondence of Arms and Merit.

The school social held at James Strait's, Wednesday evening, was a very successful affair. Following were the prize winners for the articles on which the pupils received chances: Gold ring, Margaret T. O'Connor, No. 13; table mat, presented by Mrs. James Strait, Corwin F. Strait, No. 2; rose doyle, donated by Mrs. William O'Brien, Jennie H. Many, No. 9; hand painted soot pillow, made by Margaret S. O'Connor, Ira T. Cummings, No. 11; picture scarf, donated by Nellie O'Connor, Mrs. Henry Eckerson, No. 38; doll, presented by Margaret T. O'Connor, Lena Brown, No. 14; crocheted wheel tidy, James Pierce, No. 23; glass fruit dish, donated by Mary Hulse, Nellie O'Connor, No. 11. Margaret T. O'Connor, who had No. 13 on every book, also won the fancy lamp, presented by A. Alice McBride. It was drawn for again, at her suggestion, and Mrs. Michael Creeden was the winner, with No. 20. Enough money was raised to pay the debt on the school organ.

SLATE HILL.

Beauty in Blood Deep.

Our blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartics, clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets, - beauty for ten cents. All drugs, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

A thrill of terror is experienced when a brassy cough of croup sounds through the house at night. But the terror soon changes to relief after One Minute Cough Cure has been administered. Safe and harmless for children. W. D. Olney.

No To The Croup Cure.

Superior Soothing Honey Cough Medicine. Price 25c.

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.

OVER THE SHAWANGUNKS.

WHAT OUR NEIGHBORS IN BULLIVAN COUNTY ARE DOING.

The News from All Parts of the County.—Many Matters of Interest Condensed from Our Sullivan Exchanges and Contributed by Wide Awake Correspondents.

The make of maple sugar and syrup in this county has not been large, the weather having been too uniformly warm. Thawing days and freezing nights are necessary to insure a big run of sap.

Bob Stewart will remove his livery business from Walton to Liberty about April 15th.

Andrew Gorton and Miss Ada Gillett, of Neversink, were married by Rev. L. S. Brown on Wednesday last.

J. DeBruce Davidso, of Lewbeach, has taken from his hattery and placed in his lake 100,000 trout fry, and has about 80,000 more to plant.—*Liberty Gazette*.

The M. & B. Hardware Company, composed of R. A. Monroe and F. M. Buckley has dissolved partnership. The business will be continued by R. A. Monroe.—*Liberty Gazette*.

Miss Lena Brown, daughter of Rev. L. S. Brown, has been engaged to teach in the Liberty Union School next year. She has, of late, been teaching in Ogdensburg, N. J.

The Liberty Gazette says that there is no truth in the report that the O. and W. has made arrangements to lease the Liberty-Jeffersonville trolley road.

A house owned by James Farquhar, about one and one-fourth miles west of Hurleyville, was, with the entire contents, destroyed by fire, last Thursday night. The house was occupied by "Mandy" Briggs, who was away from home at the time. The fire was not discovered until morning when the smoking embers were seen by neighbors. It is supposed that the fire was the work of an incendiary. No insurance; loss about \$500.—*Gazette*.

Card to Hillside Cemetery Lot Owners.

The committee appointed by the lot owners of Hillside Cemetery for the selection of a date and place for holding an adjourned meeting have secured the Assembly Rooms for Friday evening, March 18, when the meeting will be called to order at 7:30 sharp.

Every lot owner, lady or gentleman, is requested to attend.

W. B. RYCE,
H. W. COREY,
W. H. KNAPP.

NO HUMBUG HERE.

Middletown Endorsements What Counts With the Middletown Public.

You can't fool the public all the time. They will find you out at last.

Every time a man is fooled.

Another skeptic is made.

Many is the remedy that makes the skeptic.

It fails to keep its promises.

Doan's Kidney Pills bring renewed reward.

They cure the skeptic.

Plenty of proof of this at home.

Middleton proof for Middletown people.

Our citizens say they cure backache.

Cure urinary disorders.

Cure sick kidneys.

Experience has taught them this is so.

Conviction for every sufferer.

In the testimony of friends and neighbors.

Read this case.

Mrs. E. Doremus, of No. 12 Cottage street, says:

"It was only a backache at first, then severe acute pains. Urinary difficulty followed causing me to rise frequently during the night and the secretions were feverish. A cold or overwork increased the pain. Sometimes my physician ordered me to go to bed, at other times backache compelled me to and kept me there for three or four days. I have had no less than four physicians prescribe for me. One said it was womb trouble, another said female complaint and still another kidney disorder. It did not make much difference what they pronounced the cause to be, all of them failed to cure me. I, with very little faith in their efficacy, obtained a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at J. E. Mills' drug store. If I was sure I would have no return of my trouble I could say I am radically cured for I have not a symptom of my old complaint, but I have so often been disappointed by doctors' medicines that I have lost faith and confidence in any remedy. I have stopped taking Doan's Kidney Pills for I had no need of them. The pain is gone and I am improved in general health."

Doan's Kidney Pills are sold for 50 cents per box or six boxes for \$2.50. Foster Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Sent by mail on receipt of price. For sale by all druggists.

Remember the name, Doan's, and take no substitute.

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THEY RIDICULE IT.

MANY PEOPLE RIDICULE THE IDEA OF ABSOLUTE CURE FOR DYSPESIA AND STOMACH TROUBLES.

Ridicule, However, Is Not Argument and Facts Are Stubborn Things.

Stomach troubles are so common and in many cases so obstinate to cure that people are apt to look with suspicion on any remedy claiming to be a radical, permanent cure for dyspepsia and indigestion. Many such pride themselves on never being humbugged especially on medicines.

This fear of being humbugged may be carried too far; so far, in fact, that many persons suffer for years with weak digestion rather than risk a little time and money in faithfully testing the claims of a preparation so reliable and universally used as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

Now Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are vastly different in one important respect from ordinary proprietary medicines for the reason that they are not a secret patent medicine; no secret is made of their ingredients, but analysis shows them to contain the natural digestive ferments, pure aseptic pepsin, the digestive acids, Golden Seal, bismuth, hydastis and nux. They are not cathartic, neither do they act powerfully on any organ, but they cure indigestion on the common sense plan of digesting the food eaten promptly, thoroughly before it has time to ferment, sour and cause the mischief. This is the only secret of their success.

Cathartic pills never have and never can cure indigestion and stomach troubles because they act entirely upon the bowels, whereas the whole trouble is really in the stomach.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, taken after meals, digest the food. That is all there is to it. Food not digested or half digested is poison, as it creates gas, acidity, headaches, palpitation of the heart, loss of flesh and appetite, and many other troubles which are often called by some other name.

They are sold by druggists everywhere at 50 cents per package. Address Stuart Company, Marshall, Mich., for book on stomach diseases or ask your druggist for it.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury, as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescription from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists, price 15c. per bottle. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Stop drugging yourself with quack nostrums or "cures." Get a well-known pharmaceutical remedy that will do the work. Catarrh and Cold in the head will not cause suffering if Ely's Cream Balm is used. Druggists will supply 10c trial size or 50c. full size. We mail it.

ELY BROS., 56 Warren St., N. Y. City. Rev. John Reid, Jr., of Great Falls Mont., recommended Ely's Cream Balm to me. I can emphasize his statement. "It is a positive cure for catarrh if used as directed."—Rev. Francis W. Poole, Pastor Central Pres. Church, Helena, Mont.

A Giant Nerve Builder.

The Mystic Life Renewer is the most powerful nerve builder known. It absolutely cures all forms of nervous diseases and weakness no matter how aggravated or of how long duration, such as neuralgia, nervous prostration, nervous paroxysms, St. Vitus's dance, palpitation of the heart, physical and mental weakness, debility of old age etc.

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WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 16.—Threatening weather with showers to-night and Thursday; warmer, southerly winds.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Prout's drug store to-day: 7 a.m., 40°; 12 m., 49°; 8 p.m., 53°.

Brazil with a treasury deficit of nearly \$1,000,000 and expenses much in excess of revenues will find that the spot cash received from the United States for the warships sold will "come in mighty handy."

The Democrats gained four Supervisors at the town meeting in Columbia county, Tuesday, and will control the Board. In Hudson, after one of the hardest and bitterest fights in the political history of the city the Democrats elected their candidate for Recorder by 171 majority and a majority of the Common Council.

The appropriation of \$50,000,000 for national defense shelved the river and harbor bill and nearly all appropriations for public buildings in different parts of the country. The killing of these grants has saved the country at least \$20,000,000, so our war expenditures will not be very heavy, even if the whole appropriation is used.

Spain's protest against our buying warships as an "unfriendly act" is most amusing in view of the fact that she herself has been in the market for war ships and has only been prevented from buying them by the fact that the United States have outbid her. Taken in connection with the loss of the Maine, a charge of "unfriendliness" from Spain is so grotesque that Spanish diplomats must have had to smile at their own nerve in making it.

The Firemen's Benevolent Corporation of Bridgeport, Conn., has authorized its treasurer to deposit \$2,000 to the credit of the Secretary of the Navy to be used in the purchase of a war ship. There is a string to the deposit in the shape of a request that the vessel toward the purchase of which the inuity is used be called the Bridgeport. Almost any enterprising town, anxious to advertise itself, would be willing to invest \$2,000 in a war ship on similar terms.

Naturally the action of the Locomotive Firemen in withdrawing their support from Jim Braze's candidacy for the head of the Grade Crossings Bureau causes much talk in railroad and other circles, and many guesses are made as to the why and wherefore of the firemen's change of front. Their silence as to their reasons for rescinding the endorsement previously given Mr. Braze affords such a wide range for conjecture that it adds more than a little to the moral effect of their action. We are assured by those who are in a position to know that there isn't one chance in ten of Mr. Braze getting the place he seeks, more than one Railroad Commissioner having said privately that they would not consent to the appointment.

HAND AND ARM CRUSHED.

John Morrison, of Little Britain, sustains very serious injuries.

Something went wrong with the machinery in John Morrison's grist mill at Little Britain station on the O. & W. Monday afternoon. Mr. Morrison attempted to fix it while the mill was in operation, and his hand and arm were drawn between the cogs and crushed almost to the shoulder. Three fingers and half the palm of the hand were crushed and the bone of the arm, between the elbow and wrist, was shattered.

It is probable that amputation will be necessary, but an effort will first be made to save the arm and it will not be cut off until it is certain that an operation is necessary.

Squire Green's New Barn Near Bullville. This week's *Orange County Farmer* contains a picture and description of the large and conveniently arranged barn erected, last year, by George S. Green on his Centre Hill Farm, near Bullville. The building cost \$3,600.

THE GOOD ROADS BILL.

The Higbee-Armstrong Bill Has Gone to the Governor.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

ALBANY, March 16.—The Assembly, today, passed the Higbee-Armstrong good roads bill by a vote of 60 to 39. The bill now goes to the Governor.

COURT OF INQUIRY AT KEY WEST.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

KLY WEST, March 16.—The steamer Mangrove arrived, this morning, from Havana, having on board the members of the Court of Inquiry.

IN THE RAILROAD WORLD.

—Samuel Andrews, of Shequehanna, an Erie engineer, is reported to have taken heir to \$50,000 by the death of an uncle.

FIFTEEN LIVES LOST.

Explosion in a Chicago Business Building, followed by Fire, Results in Great Loss of Life.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

CHICAGO, March 16.—It is believed that fifteen people lost their lives in a fire, today, at Wabash avenue and Adams street, in a building occupied by a number of business firms.

A number of people in the burning building jumped and four were killed outright. Fifteen others were injured by jumping, but the greatest loss of life occurred among those who did not even have a chance to get to windows and decide whether to take the fearful alternative of jumping to the stone sidewall.

The entire front of the building was blown out by a terrific explosion, which was followed by several others in rapid succession. The entire building was quickly wrapped in flames. It seemed impossible that any one in the front part of the building who did not jump could have escaped.

Two of the dead were identified as Miles Smith and Samuel A. Clark. A colored man named McDonald jumped from a window and was killed.

Seven persons were seen to fall back into the flames.

GERMAN TROOPS LEAVE CRETE.

The Deputies of the Island Left to France, Russia and England.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

CANEA, ISLAND OF CRETE, March 16.—The German flag was pulled down, this morning, and the German marines, who have been doing duty ashore, embarked on board the German battleship Oldenburg. The international troops composing the garrison rendered military honors to the departing German forces.

BERLIN, March 16.—The Cologne Gazette, commenting upon the hauling down of the German flag in Crete, says the departure of the German battleship, Oldenburg, does not signify a cessation of the concert of Powers, but merely means that, now the affairs of German creditors of Greece have been settled, Germany has little interest in the destinies of Crete, which concern France, Russia and England.

MOBILIZING THE FRENCH FLEET.

France Is Preparing to Support Russia in the Far East.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

PARIS, March 16.—The *Aurore*, to-day, affirms that the French fleet is being prepared for mobilization, adding that feverish activity prevails at all the arsenals and shipyards which are working until 10 o'clock at night.

The *Aurore* says that the French northern squadrons at Cherbourg are ready for immediate departure, and explains that the mobilization is connected with preparations to support Russia by a naval demonstration in the far east.

CONTRACT OF SALE SIGNED.

The Brazilian War Ships are ours—Crew to Be Placed on the Amazonas at Once.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

LONDON, March 16.—The final contract for the sale of the Amazonas and Almirante Abrauall to the United States has been signed. The price is over \$2,500,000 for both ships.

An American crew is expected from Lisbon, to-night, to take possession of the Amazonas, Friday. The Abrauall cannot be completed for six weeks.

FOR THE CENTRAL RAILROAD.

Railroads Exempted from the Indebtedness Provision of the Corporation Law.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

ALBANY, March 16.—Gov. Black, today, signed Senator Ellsworth's bill which exempts railroad companies from that provision of the corporation law which prevents corporations from incurring liabilities in excess of their paid up capital stock. It is understood this bill is necessary to enable the Central to carry through its Lake Shore deal.

HAWAIIAN ANNEXATION.

The Treaty Dropped and Resolution of Annexation Reported.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—The Senate Foreign Relations Committee, to-day, decided to recommend that the Hawaiian Islands be annexed by legislation in open session and agreed upon a joint resolution for the accomplishment of this purpose.

In the Senate, later, Chairman Davis reported the joint resolution providing for the annexation of the Islands.

WILL NOT SELL CUBA.

Spanish Parliament Wouldn't Sell at Any Price.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

MADRID, March 16.—A semi-official news agency publishes the following announcement: "It is useless to talk of the sale of Cuba. The question could not be arranged except by Parliament, and it is impossible that any Spanish chamber would agree to sell the island at any price."

TURKISH TROOPS MUTINY.

Albanian and Kurdish Soldiers Cause a Riot in a Palace.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 16.—There was great excitement at the Yildiz Palace, yesterday evening, owing to an outbreak among the Albanian and Kurdish troops in the barracks. The approach to the palace were immediately surrounded and many arrests were made.

A SOCIALIST RIOT.

Smashed Many Windows and Thirty-Eight Arrests Were Made.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

BUDAPEST, March 16.—Socialists engaged in rioting here, yesterday evening, and many windows were broken. The mounted police interfered, with the result that thirty-eight persons were arrested.

NEGOTIATING FOR OLD TUBS.

Old and Slow German Liners the Only Ships that Spain Can Buy.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

BERLIN, March 16.—Senor Sandoval, the Spanish agent, is negotiating for the purchase of a number of old and slow steamers of the North German Lloyds Steamship Company.

ST. LOUIS SAILED AS USUAL.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

NEW YORK, March 16.—The American line steamer, St. Louis, sailed, to-day, on regular schedule time.

MME. DREYFUS' PETITION DENIED.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

PARIS, March 16.—The Minister of Colonies has refused the petition of Mme. Dreyfus to share her husband's imprisonment at Devil's Island.

50 cent Ties are now 25 cents.

The best values in Working Shirts in the city.

Sole agents for Knox Hats.

Green Ties for March 17th

Black Dress Goods!

As usual you will find us Headquarters. We are offering special attractions in this department at very reasonable prices. French Serges at 25, 39, 50, 65, 75, 85c, \$1.

Storm Serges 50, 75c, \$1, \$1.25, Henrietta 89, 50, 75, 90c, \$1, \$1.15, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, Poplins 75c, \$1, \$1.25, Camel's Hair Cloth 75c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, Mohairs 25, 35, 50, 75c, \$1, \$1.25. We show more than 75 different designs in Fancy Black Goods at 50, 75, 89c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 and up to \$2.50. See us for Dry Goods. You'll find it pays.

CARSON & TOWNER,

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Easter Sunday is April 10th.

You will need a new Spring Suit, a new Hat and Tie. We have them in the latest and most pleasing styles.

Have you seen our latest Spring Overcoats? They are beauties.

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Note the Prices and the Qualities.

Many good bargains in all departments, as

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must go to make room for our large stock of

SPRING AND SUM-

MER GOODS.

Capes and Jackets.

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My last year's magazines that I had bound at MCINTYRE'S BINDERY.

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dated March 16th, 1898.

GEORGE S. GREEN, Administrator.

JOHN C. R. TAYLOR, Attorney for Administrator, Rooms 5 and 6 Low Building, Middletown, N. Y.

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Choice City Lots on the Bull & Youngblood Tract.

Albert street, Harrison street, Lincoln street, Beaufort and Grand avenues. Every street properly graded and accepted by the city, sewer, city water, gas, etc. That these especially attractive improvements have been made and are offered at a low and very reasonable price.

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E. H. GREGORY.

Cottage Hotel Entertainments.

WEEK OF MARCH 14.

Don C. Manning, character and eccentric comedian, assisted by the darling soubrette, Miss Maude, in their original creation, "DISCERNANCE," Miss Carrie Walker, character change artist, Lena Dubois, semi-comic.

P. S.—Don't forget the grand ball, Thursday night, in connection with the above, at the Hotel for Middle-town at 11 a. m., and Goshen at 12:30.

BEST SARSAPARILLA 75 CENTS A BOTTLE!

This means Nature's Sarsaparilla Tonic. It's our own make—Every one of its many ingredients carefully examined, weighed and measured, and then correctly treated in our own Laboratory to obtain a perfect medicinal product, therefore we say it's the best in the market—no dollar Sarsaparilla can excel it.

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They are beginning to move. We are booking orders ahead, and are not surprised, as our stock is NEW, CLEAN AND UP-TO-DATE. We have NO OLD GOODS to show, either in

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FRANCE & HATHAWAY,

25 AND 27 EAST MAIN STREET
Agents Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machines. Best in the world.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—Girl wanted to do housework.
—Annual meeting G. & G. Company, April 4th.
—New maple sugar at Mapes Bros.
—Green stockings at Adams & Boyd's.
—Claims against estate of Emily Bookbinder.
—Hay for sale by Chas. Shaw.
—Two furnished rooms to let.
—Flat of seven rooms to let.
—Five rooms, upper floor, to let.
—Ben Hur bicycle for sale.
—Silk sale at Geo. B. Adams & Co.'s.
—Granulated sugar \$5.15 a hundred at Sloat's.
—House of thirteen rooms to let.
—Processor wanted, Sec'y.
—Dyspepsia cured by Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.
—Health restored by Dr. Miles' Service.
—Calendula given with Fairy Soap.
—Piso's Cure for coughs and colds.
—Constipation cured by Cascarets.
—For backache, Doan's Pills.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local matter, to-day.

—The O. and W. pay car is in town.
—Masquerade ball at the Casino, to-morrow night.

—"A Guilty Mother," at the Casino, Saturday evening.

—Mosquitoes have appeared on the Hackensack meadows.

—A brilliant aurora illuminated the northern sky, Tuesday evening.

—Adams & Boyd and M. B. Wolf advertise green ties for St. Patrick's Day.

—H. E. North, of Walton, proposes to raise 1,000 Pekin ducks for market, this year.

—Rev. D. T. Howell, of Monticello, will conduct the service in Grace Church, this evening.

—W. M. Divers, to-day, dehorned the cattle of ex-Supervisor H. D. Thompson, of Walton.

—L. Cran's Sons are out with a delivery wagon which beats anything in their line in this country.

—The cemetery lot owners' meeting is to be held, Friday night, March 18th, instead of March 25th.

—J. C. Fonda has been elected captain of the Port Jervis fire police in place of John Wells, resigned.

—The loss by the burning, Sunday morning, of the creamery at Whitney's Point, is put at \$18,000.

—Gregory Brundage, of Salisbury Mills, lost an envelope containing \$70 in bills in Newburgh, Monday.

—A large crowd is expected at the Casino, to-morrow night, to witness the costumes of the masqueraders.

—Lillian Kennedy, the actress, who was stricken with apoplexy while playing in Utica, Saturday night, died there, Tuesday.

—The ladies of St. Paul's Church will hold one of their popular ten-cent entertainments in the lecture room of the church, Friday, March 25.

—F. O. Tompkins' house at No. 29 Highland avenue, which is to be removed from the lot, will be sold, to-morrow afternoon, at 2 o'clock.

—Mrs. H. Roe, of Sherburne, Chenango county, is past ninety-four years old, lives alone, does her own work and attends church quite regularly.

—The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of St. Paul's Church will meet, to-morrow at 4 o'clock, with Mrs. J. G. Harding, 148 West Main street.

—An old school house at East Hawley, Pa., which had not been used for several years, and which was a rendezvous for tramps, was burned, early Tuesday morning.

—Rector Evans went to Liberty, Tuesday, to take the service in the Episcopal Church there. Levi V. Sinsabaugh read the prayers at the afternoon service in Grace Church.

—The "boys about town" are saying that Harry Kingsland won the Lipfield piano with an O'Neal-Craus eldermanic finish, which, being interpreted, means a big margin to spare.

PERSONAL.

—Miss Lena Lewis went to New York, to-day.

—Mrs. W. H. Hyde is spending a fortnight in New York city.

—Frank McCarter, of the New York Custom House, is visiting in town.

—Theodore J. Denton is seriously ill with asthma at his home in Denton.

—Mrs. George Weston, of Norwich, is visiting friends in Middletown.—Telegraph.

—Gilbert Beebe removed from 103 Academy avenue to 45 Grand avenue, Tuesday.

—Alva, son of D. P. Wagar, went to New York city, to-day, to accept a position in a prominent market.

—A Florida correspondent notes that Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Rose, of this city, spent Sunday in that village.

—Miss Kate Shane, of the State Hospital corps of nurses, went to Scranton, to-day, to spend a fortnight with relatives.

—Frank Ross, formerly an employee of the ARGUS composing room and now a resident of Colorado Springs, is visiting in this city.

—Miss Cora M. Gregory, of West Division, Goshen, has secured a position as teacher in a school near Slate Hill. She entered upon the discharge of her duties, Monday morning.—Independent.

—Dr. and Mrs. D. H. Arthur left on Erie train 7, last night, for Gowanda, N. Y., where the former will take charge of the Colling State Hospital. A large party of friends was present at the depot to bid them good-bye.

Sworn in as Notaries.

Judson A. Hoar, of the County Clerk's office, administered the oath of office to the recently appointed notaries of this city, at the Russell House, to-day noon.

A wheelman's tool bag isn't complete without a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Heals cuts, bruises, stings, sprains. Monarch over pain.

THE TROLLEY ROAD SOLD.

NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE PROPERTY CONCLUDED.

Prospective Purchasers and the Directors Representing the Holdholders Interests in Consultation in this City To-day—Offer of the World to the Purchasers—Directors Examining the Company's Books—Parties Who Bought the Road Will Work in Conjunction With Citizens' Electric Light Company.

A controlling interest in the Middletown-Goshen Traction Company was sold, to-day, to outside parties and the road has already passed into their control.

The four gentlemen who came here seeking to purchase the property are Charles Thomas and F. McKeige, of New York, W. G. Rock, of Flushing, L. I., and Henry M. Brundage.

They met at the Traction Company's office, this afternoon, at 3 o'clock, with Robt. Wetherill, W. B. Brownell, of Chester, Pa.; W. L. Grant, Jr., W. W. Dongton, of Philadelphia, and I. M. Thomas, of Wilkesbarre, directors in the present company, and representatives of the bond holding interest.

The prospective purchasers of the road offer to pay for it, the amount of the bonded indebtedness \$275,000 and \$20,000 for the stock. The directors and bondholders' representatives have been engaged, to-day, in making a complete examination of the company's books to determine whether there is more money to be made by selling the road on the terms proposed than by continuing to own and operate it.

The parties who have made an offer for the road also have under consideration the acceptance of the co-operation of the Citizens' Electric Company, which was recently granted a franchise by the Common Council and if they secure the trolley road an arrangement will undoubtedly be made by which they will furnish the Citizens' Company with electricity for lighting or arrange with it to furnish power for the operation of the road. Such an arrangement would effect a very considerable saving over the cost of operating separate plants.

LATER.

The sale of the property was concluded at 3 o'clock and the new owners of the road at once chose the following officers:

President—A. McKeige.

Vice-President and Treasurer—C. G. M. Thomas.

Secretary—Henry M. Brundage.

General Manager—W. A. Grant.

Mr. Grouten is manager of the Highland-New Paltz electric road. He will spend much of his time in this city and Mr. Thomas will also spend as much time here as may be necessary.

The new owners of the road will make no sweeping changes, but have in view many improvements in the service which will make the road more popular with the public. It is their intention to make the road so popular that it can't help pay.

The general office of the company will be at 32 Nassau street, New York.

THE UNKNOWN DEAD BURIED.

A Clue That May Lead to the Identification of the Man Killed at Port Jervis.

The body of the man killed in the Port Jervis yard, Sunday night, was buried in Laurel Grove Cemetery, Tuesday afternoon.

It had not been identified, but a telegram from Mrs. P. Tully, of Jersey City, asking if a letter from John J. Mahoney was among the papers found on the body may lead to its identification, for although there was no letter the name J. J. Mahoney was found written on one of the telegraph blanks found in the dead man's pockets.

DISCUSSING INSURANCE RATES.

Representatives of the Business Men's Association Confer With Insurance Men.

Special agent Hibbs, of the Hanover Insurance Company, and special agent Smith, of the National Company, met with a committee from the local board of underwriters, to-day, to discuss rates.

The meeting was held in room "C" at the Russell House.

James P. Tully, of the New York Dock Department.

The Empire State Granite Company shipped, Monday, from its quarries near Pine Island, eleven cars of cut and dressed coping stone to the New York Dock Department. Each of the blocks weighed several tons.

GRANTS FOR THE NEW YORK DOCK DEPARTMENT.

Elder David L. Conkling, who was badly hurt, Tuesday, by being thrown from his carriage, is, we are glad to say, resting comfortably, to-day, and is doing as well as can be expected.

Dr. Douglas, who examined him, Tuesday afternoon, found that one rib was broken and another cracked.

NEW YORK'S PRISON POPULATION.

The population of the three State prisons on March 1st is shown by the reports to the State Superintendent to have been 1,325 at Sing Sing, 761 at Auburn, 881 at Clinton and 75 in the woman's prison at Auburn, making a total of 3,052.

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JERSEYMAN WANT ALL THE GAME THEMSELVES.

A bill has passed the lower house of the New Jersey legislature requiring non-resident sportsmen to procure a \$200 license from fish and game commissioners before they may hunt in that State.

BUILDING A LARGE WAGON MAKING SHOP.

James P. Mulford, the wagon maker, is erecting a large frame building on the rear of his lot, at 149 North street, just this side of Wickham avenue, which he will use as a shop and wagon repository.

DEATH OF A VERY OLD WOMAN.

Mrs. Hannah Thompson, colored, died at Englewood, N. J., Saturday, at the age of 107 years. She was a former resident of Rockland county and her great age was fully authenticated.

JUST LIKE MRS. McKNILEY'S.

C. Emmet Crawford shows a fine sample of wall paper. It is the "forget me not" blue, and was specially designed for and accepted by Mrs. McKinley for her apartments in the White House.

PASSED THE SENATE.

The Senate passed, Thursday, Mr. Goodsell's bill equalizing compensation and allowances for expenses and disbursements of justices of the Supreme Court in the Second Judicial District.

BEST OF ALL.

To cleanse the system in a gentle and truly beneficial manner, when the Springtime comes, use the true and perfect remedy, Syrup of Pigs. Buy the genuine. Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only, and for sale by all druggists, at 50 cents per bottle.

INSTANT RELIEF AND SURE CURE.

No matter in what form or how long standing, Catarrh readily succumbs to the influence of that magical Catarrh cure—Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder. Volumes could be registered and written of true and honest testimony in cases where it has cured when all other treatments have failed. Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder acts quickly, is easily applied, and harmless and pleasant. Sold by James T. King and McMonagle & Rogers.

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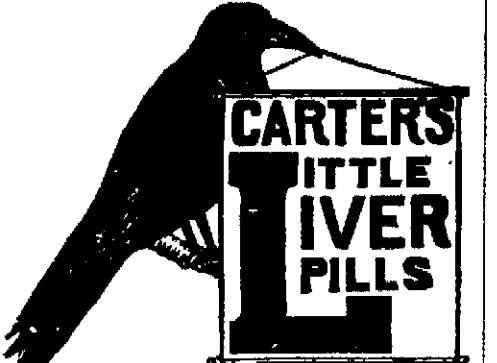
UMBRELLA BUTCHER SENT TO JAIL.

NEGLECTED to Learn by Experience or Profit by Kindness.

Charles Duff, the erratic umbrella maker, or "umbrella butcher," as he calls himself after fourteen years of experience, was sentenced to Goshen jail for twenty days, Wednesday, in order that he might make the acquaintance of Sheriff Strong, he having failed to meet the boss of the jail, socially, during a previous five days' stay there. Later the Recorder suspended sentence, and Duff promised to go to Port Jervis.

Instead he began to manipulate the handles of bock beer glasses, and during the night he was found in the alley leading to Knapp & Merritt's morgue. He gave officers Ballantine and Brinkerhoff a great tussle, but they landed him in the lock-up.

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BILLINGS RETIRED.

Settlement of the Pay Inspector's Difficulties.

BEEN CONVICTED BY COURT MARTIAL

He Refused a Proposition That He Should Apply For Retirement, So Secretary Long Took the Matter Into His Own Hands.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—The case of Pay Inspector Luther G. Billings, which has been troubling the secretary of the navy for some time past, has been settled by the issue of an order canceling that officer on the retired list.

Mr. Billings was convicted by court martial upon certain charges and was sentenced to dismissal from the service. His attorneys endeavored to have the finding set aside on the ground that it was unjust and unsupported by the evidence.

The secretary was so impressed with their arguments that he proposed to compromise with Mr. Billings by permitting him to retire instead of being dismissed. The officer rejected this proposition, however, contending that if guilty he should be punished; that if innocent, as he claimed to be, justice required that the last trace of guilt should be removed from his record.

The proposition of the department was that the officer should apply for retirement, which he was entitled to do under the law, but inasmuch as he refused to follow this suggestion the secretary exercised his prerogative and ordered him before a naval examining board to determine his mental and physical capacity for active service.

The board reported that he was eligible for retirement under the law, and the secretary has on this report directed the transfer of his name from the active to the retired list. Although this action does not in itself prevent the execution of the sentence, it is generally understood that no further action will be taken and that the case will be allowed to drop.

Stomach and liver trouble with sluggish action of the bowels is overcome speedily and permanently by Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets.

Connecticut Knights Templar.

HARTFORD, March 16.—The Connecticut Grand commandery, Knights Templar, held its annual conclave in this city and elected officers as follows: Right eminent grand commander, W. E. Withey, New London; vice eminent deputy grand commander, William Ussely, Waterbury; eminent grand generalissimo, E. S. Davis, Middletown; eminent grand captain general, A. S. Ironstock, Norwich; eminent grand warden, Frank Street, Norwalk; eminent grand junior warden, Alfred E. Fuller, Danbury; eminent grand treasurer W. R. Highby, Bridgeport; eminent grand recorder, Eli C. Birdsey, Meriden; eminent grand prelate, E. E. Puffer, Willimantic; eminent grand standard bearer, J. W. Mix, Meriden; eminent grand sword bearer, J. W. Nowinton, Bridgeport; eminent grand arden, F. E. Stoddard, New Haven; eminent grand sentinel, N. D. F. Allen, Hartford; eminent grand inspector, J. A. Spencer, Waterbury.

Another Brooklyn Tragedy.

NEW YORK, March 16.—Harry Pole and Mrs. Leonora Faulkner were fatally shot by Captain Peterson, who has charge of a Brooklyn dredging boat, because of jealousy. Peterson had a short time before locked Mrs. Faulkner out of the house where they both lived. She asked Pole, whom she had never seen before, to assist her in opening the basement door. He consented, and was shot, and the woman was wounded soon after.

Colonel Hardencourt Married.

PITTSBURG, March 16.—Colonel Hardencourt, author of "Life of Oliver Cromwell" and "John Marmaduke," romance, and assistant superintendent of the Pennsylvania lines west of Pittsburg, was married yesterday to Miss Bertha Jeanne Reinhart, daughter of a prominent family and niece of the artist Charles Stanley Reinhart. The wedding was performed in the East End Unitarian church.

Postoffice Burglars at Work.

BUFFALO, March 16.—The postoffice Little Valley, Cattaraugus county, is robbed of \$100 worth of stamps and so is the New York Central station at Mayville, Erie county, and the post office in the same building were also entered by burglars. Money, stamps and mail tickets were taken, but the total loss is not known.

Help Hebrew Colonies.

NEW YORK, March 16.—The manager of the Baron de Hirsch fund has received from the widow of the brilliant rosiest a large sum of money from Paris, the interest of which is to be used in furthering the educational industries of the Hebrews near Woodbine, N. J.

Pawtucket Newspaper Man Dead.

PROVIDENCE, March 16.—Martin Murray, a well known newspaper man in Pawtucket, died yesterday from injuries sustained by being struck by the night train from Boston. Mr. Murray was 32 years old and had been a editor and publisher in Pawtucket.

Ex-Coroner Convicted of Fraud.

NEW YORK, March 16.—Dr. Edward C. Mills, former coroner of Kings county, was convicted yesterday afternoon of grand larceny in the first degree for having fraudulently obtained money from the city of Brooklyn on bills for bogus inquests.

A Chinese Wedding.

NEW YORK, March 16.—Ching Ping Lee, a prominent Chinaman, and Chou Tzu Chin, a Chinese girl, were married in the adiamic chamber at the hall yesterday. The wedding party wore Chinese costumes in gorgeous silk effects.

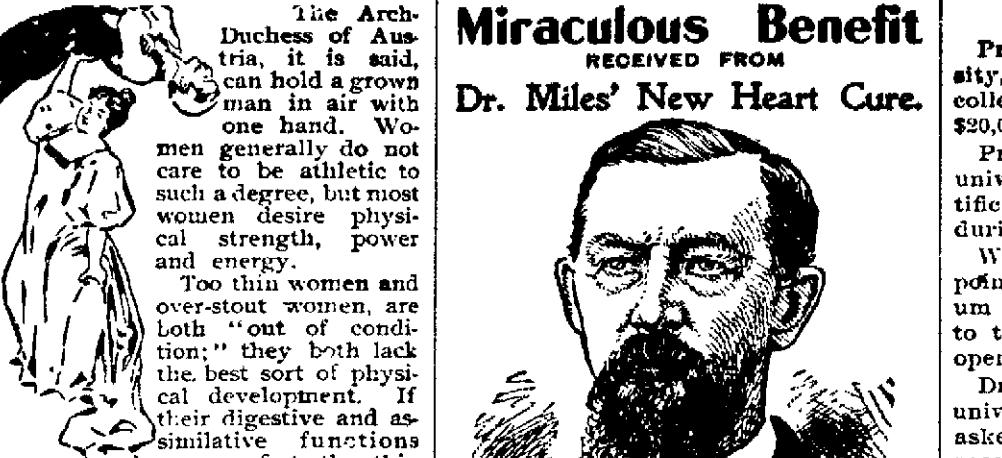
Life Imprisonment For Koerner.

NEW YORK, March 16.—William J. Koerner has been sentenced to state prison for life for the murder of Rose Alice Redgate on Sept. 23, 1896. Koerner showed no emotion. His counsel will appeal the case.

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Miraculous Benefit RECEIVED FROM Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure.



ELI P. BABCOCK, of Avoca, N. Y., a veteran of the 3rd N. Y. Artillery and for thirty years of the Babcock & Mansell Carriage Co., of Auburn, says: "I write to express my gratitude for the miraculous benefit received from Dr. Miles' Heart Cure. I suffered for years, as result of arm life, from sciatica which affected my heart in the worst form, my limbs swelled from the ankles up. I bloated until I was unable to button my clothing; had sharp pains about the heart, smothering spells and shortness of breath. For three months I was unable to lie down, and all the sleep I got was in an arm chair. I was treated by the best doctors but gradually grew worse. About a year ago I commenced taking Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure and it saved my life as if by a miracle."

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Daughter of Mother Goose.

Where are you going, my pretty maid? "I'm going to Europe, sir," she said. And why are you going, my pretty maid? "To purchase a duke, sir," she said. —Chicago Daily News.

Bound to Keep On.

Flip—There'll always be a good deal of traveling.

Quip—How do you make that out?

Flip—Because no sooner does one man get back than all those that haven't traveled have to start off at once to escape hearing him talk about it.—N. Y. Journal.

Mean.

Young Wife—The Bible tells us to cast our bread upon the waters and it will return to us a hundred fold.

Young Husband—Well, for heaven's sake, Mary, don't cast any of the bread you make upon the waters, then.—N. Y. World.

Hard on the Doctor.

"Poor old Dr. Slim. He is so thin I don't believe he'll fill his codlin when he comes to die."

"Well, he oughtn't to object. He's filled a good many others without trouble."—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

Boarding House Talk.

"The influence of some women is very far-reaching," said the new woman at the boarding house table.

"Will you please try yours on that butler?" asked the quiet man sitting next to her.—Yonkers Statesman.

Better Lost.

Rejected One—Yes; she refused me; gave me the regular cold shoulder.

His Friend—That's nothing, old man. Why, if she'd accepted you, she might have given you—er—homemade bread! —Ally Sloper.

Diplomacy.

Young Lady—How old would you take me to be, baron?

The Baron (bowing)—Ah, mademoiselle, how can I say—for your accomplishments tell me what your looks deny.—N. Y. Truth.

A Pertinent Question.

Mills—Your sister has the brightest eyes of any girl I ever knew.

Tommy—Is that the reason why you always turn the gas out when you sit alone with her in the back parlor?—N. Y. Evening Journal.

Hot Times Occasionally.

Singleman—in her girlhood days your wife was possessed of a very sunny disposition. Has she any of it yet?

Longwed—Well-er—enough to make it warm for me occasionally.—Up-to-date.

No Hope, If She Thought.

"Ya-as," he said, "I awks Miss Sharpe to be my wife, y' know, and I gave her a week to think it over."

"That settles your case."—Chicago Post.

He Was Only a Chump.

He (apologetically)—I suppose you think I'm a regular bear?

She (bravely)—"No, I don't. Bears are said to hug—at least, sometimes."—Yonkers Statesman.

Moods Operandi.

"I met your friend, Spongely, this morning."

"How did he strike you?"

"Said he had left his change at home on his other trousers."—N. Y. World.

A Celestial Chestnut.

Auntie—Come here, Freddy, and look at the new moon.

Freddy—Oh! I've seen lots of moons like that before.—Puck.

It Certainly Isn't.

"Half the world doesn't know how the other half lives."

"Well, I don't know as it is any of their business."—Town Topics.

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NEWSPAPER ARCHIVE

From One Point of View.
"Woman," she said, oracularly, "should have all the privileges that man has. She is showing her ability to do all that he can do in the business world."

"Yes," he admitted, "she is rapidly bringing herself down to his level."

The more she thought of this remark the stronger became her determination to keep out of all suffrage movements.—Chicago Post.

There Never Was One.

Great Picture Buyer (to hostess) What do you think of an artist who painted cobwebs on the ceiling so truthfully that the servant wore herself into an attack of nervous prostration trying to sweep them down?

Hostess (a woman of experience)—There may have been such an artist, but there never was such a servant.—Tit-Bits.

Not With Her Voice.

"He does not love me any more." The maiden sang to share him; And as the notes reached papa's ears He murmured, "I don't blame him."

THE MAGNET THAT DREW THEM

By the way, the magnet that drew them together was a magnet.

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ODD FELLOWS IN SESSION.

Meeting of the Grand Committee of Orange District, No. 2, in this City—German Lodge Grand Committee Met in Newburgh.

The meeting of the Grand Committee of Orange District, No. 2, I. O. O. F., was held in this city, to-day, at the rooms of Middletown Lodge. Those in attendance as delegates were:

MIDDLETOWN, NO. 112.

John J. Wood, Oscar Murray, E. B. Quack, E. H. Townsend, J. M. Hanford, Robert Lawrence, T. W. Davy, J. M. Northrop, Fred Parsons, T. A. March, Henry W. Sawyer, D. A. Taylor, Samuel Pitts, L. H. Billings, Frank Bright, Chas. J. Thayer, Charles H. Brown, John E. Iseman, Ira S. Clauson, Henry Waters,

USTAYANTHA, NO. 143, PORT JERVIS.

Chas. C. Boyd, John Sharp, W. Harvey Palmer, J. Harrison Myers, James Nyce, Frank Bock, George Taylor, Chas. A. Hull, F. S. Goble, Nelson Gibson, David Carr, H. S. Decker, Chas. Frazee, James Decker, Fred R. Decker.

MINISINK, NO. 444, WESTTOWN.

D. D. G. M., Grand Secretary, Robt. C. Osborn, G. W. Hulse, Isaac Terwilliger, P. L. DeWitt, Josiah Bennett, L. A. Elston, H. Chardavoyne, Levi Decker, Sanford Cortright, J. W. Potter, Angus Terwilliger, Ralph Stinard, R. O. Hunt.

NEVERING, NO. 358, TRI-STATES.

J. A. Noll, John Bennett, W. D. Balmos, Mark Van Etten, Fred Balmos, J. C. Sigler, Albert Morris, Albert Drake, Andrew Balmos, Abner Skinner, Eliza Blythe.

ORANGE, NO. 506, GOSHEN.

John Ketchum, John B. Gregory, Chas. A. Quack, Chris Hausen, A. Rutten, C. W. Match, W. R. Terhune, H. B. P. Tuthill, Ira Baldwin.

The morning session was taken up by the appointment of committees, and at 1 o'clock an adjournment was taken to the Madison House, where dinner was served.

District No. 3 met in Newburgh, to-day. This district comprises the lodges working in the German language: Attilla Lodge, of Port Jervis; Luther Lodge, of this city, and Bismarck of Newburgh. The meeting was held in the latter's rooms.

The delegates from Middletown were: Henry Ende, Charles Ende, John Adelman, Charles Keener, W. C. F. Bustian, and Ed. Winkler. They went on O. and W. No. S.

The dinner was one of Mr. Lea's best efforts and the Odd Fellows were well pleased.

This afternoon the vote for grand officers was taken.

The meeting was presided over by D. G. M., Levi Decker and Grand Secretary S. A. Cortright. The other officers were:

Cheplin—J. E. Sharp, Ustayantha. Marshall—Robert Lawrence, Middle-town.

Guardian—J. W. Potter, Minisink.

The committee appointed were:

Committee on Credentials—C. H. Myers, Mark Van Etten, T. W. Davy.

Committee on Appeals—Floyd Goble.

Finance Committee—Frank Bock, E. B. Quack, John Ketchum, L. H. Billings, Floyd Goble.

Necrology—J. M. Hanford, H. T. Decker, J. B. Gregory.

Congratulations were telegraphed to Orange District Nos. 1 and 3.

THE PIANO-SONG RECITAL.

Becker von Grabil and Miss Julia Wickham Pleased a Large Audience.

The audience which listened to the piano-song recital, last night, was thoroughly representative and it was easy to see that its appreciation of the programme was a highly intelligent one. S. Becker von Grabil, by his masterly rendition of a long succession of the most difficult compositions in the literature of the instrument, at once demonstrated his claim to be considered one of the most noteworthy pianists before the public. It will probably be a long time before the musicians of this city again enjoy an opportunity of listening to a virtuoso of his culture. Certainly the opportunity has never been theirs in the past, though among those who have visited us we remember Sherwood and Bradley. Mr. von Grabil's playing is characterized by marked contrast and great variety, both as regards time and tone. For him difficulties do not seem to exist.

Miss Julia Wickham sang four selections in a highly artistic manner. She always pleases and met with an enthusiastic reception last evening. Although, on account of the length of the programme, encores were not in general responded to, Miss Wickham was forced to yield in one instance to the insistent applause. The recital can only be regarded as highly successful from every standpoint.

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OVER-WROUGHT NERVES OF WOMEN.

Extracts From Letters Received by Mrs. Pinkham.

"I am so nervous and wretched." "I feel as if I should fly." How familiar these expressions are. Little things annoy you and make you irritable. You can't sleep, you are unable to lift ordinary burdens, and are subject to dizziness.

That bearing-down sensation helps to make you feel miserable.

You have backache and pains low down in the side, pain in top of head, later on at base of the brain.

Such a condition points unerringly to serious uterine trouble.

If you had written to Mrs. Pinkham when you first experienced impaired vitality, you would have been spared these hours of awful suffering.

Happiness will be gone out of your life forever, my sister, unless you act promptly. Procure Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound at once, and begin its use, then write to Mrs. Pinkham at Lynn, Mass., if there is anything about your case you do not understand.

You need not be afraid to tell her the things you could not explain to the doctor, your letter is seen only by women and is absolutely confidential. Mrs. Pinkham's vast experience with such troubles enables her to tell you just what is best for you, and she will charge you nothing for her advice.

Mrs. JENNIE BIERLY, Youngdale, Pa., writes:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Will you kindly allow me the pleasure of expressing my gratitude for the wonderful relief I have experienced by taking your Vegetable Compound. I suffered for a long time with nervous prostration, backache, headache, loss of appetite, a heavy bearing-down feeling, also burning pains in the groins. I could not sleep, was tired all the time, had no ambition. Life was a burden to me. The pains I suffered at times of menstruation were something dreadful. I thought there was no cure for it. I saw your advertisement in the paper, and my husband advised me to try your medicine. I took five bottles, and now I am well and happy. Your medicine saved my life."

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A LONGFELLOW EVENING.

Business Meeting and Social of the First Congregational Endeavorers.

The business meeting and social of the Y. P. S. C. E. of the First Congregational Church was held on Monday evening by invitation of Charles L. Boyd, at the residence of Mr. France, on Grove street.

The literary exercises followed mainly a Longfellow programme. A concise and interesting biographical sketch of the poet was read by Mrs. J. Charles Schwartz. Poems illustrating different phases of Longfellow's work were read by Ralph Brooks and Misses Tidd and Carpenter. A bright and humorous dialogue was presented effectively by Mrs. U. G. Mapes and Miss Edna Ferris.

After the serving of dainty refreshments, an enjoyable social hour was spent. The members of the society and the other invited guests of Mr. Boyd and Mr. and Mrs. France, fully appreciated the genial hospitality extended so graciously.

GONE TO A SANITARIUM.

Rev. C. W. Winchester Will Be Treated at North Adams—Church Services During His Absence.

Rev. C. M. Winchester left town, this morning, for North Adams for treatment at the sanitarium located there. On his way he will stop over at Albany and visit his son, Charles M. Jr., superintendent of the office in which the State printing is done.

During his absence the services at the Free Christian Church will be well cared for. Mrs. Winchester will conduct the meeting, next Sunday evening, and after that date Rev. O. B. Beals and Rev. J. O. Scott, of New York city, will officiate. Both the above are among the most talented preachers of the country and the people of this city will enjoy a rare treat listening to them.

Street Force Reduced for Lack of Funds.

Street Commissioner Wilcox's forces were greatly depleted, to-day. The announcement from headquarters, "No funds!" has necessitated the action.

DeWitt Drum Corp. Dance.

The members of DeWitt Drum Corp had a private dance at Nearing Hall, Tuesday night, which was a very pleasant affair.

Humor in the Blood.

"I had a bad humor in my blood and began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, and in a short time I was entirely cured. I believe Hood's Sarsaparilla to be the best of blood purifiers, and I do not hesitate to recommend it to anyone suffering from impurities in the blood." Mrs. Helen Dewey, Box 70, Gowanda, N. Y.

HOOD'S PILLS are easy to take, headache

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